

## Step 1: Print Pattern

**Clarifications from comments:** Was looking at your excellent pattern, but noticed that the original pattern was 5 1/2 inches wide and yours is 5 inches wide. Am I looking at this correctly?

Reply 2 days ago Yes, my re-drawn pattern dimensions are correct. The 5.5" dimension on the original sketch/drawing was wrong. >>> 5 inches wide is the correct dimension <<<

## Step 2: Fold Fabric

Fold fabric right-side out with selvage edge touching - taco style. Square fabric.

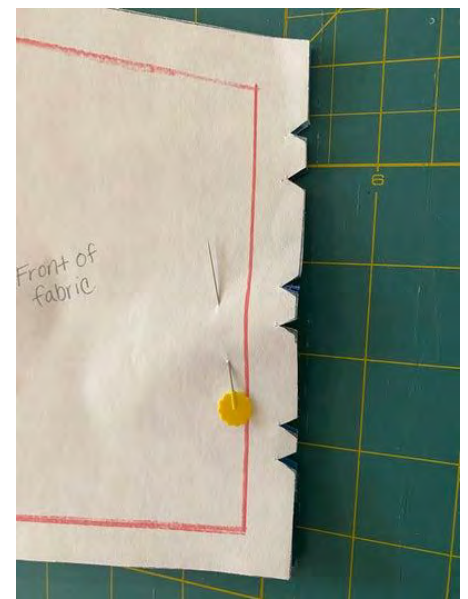
## Step 3: Cut Binding and Ties



Cut 5 x 1.5 inch wide strips from the width of fabric. **Each strip should be around 20" in length.** The strips above were cut with the fabric folded in half.

Or, if you are cutting out of longer fabric you could cut 2 (1.5" wide x 40" long) and 1 (1.5" wide x 20" long) and save yourself a step piecing the binding together.

## Step 4: Refold Fabric and Cut Mask Face



Open up and refold leftover fabric. Fold width-wise - burrito style. So selvage on top, selvage on bottom - fold evenly. Pin pattern on upper half of folded fabric. Dotted line of pattern aligned with fold. Cut around edges of pattern. Cut out notches.

Unpin pattern and move to lower half of folded fabric. Cut out second piece.

## Step 5: Stack and Sew

Stack the 2 face mask pieces, face down. Pin in place.

Sew together using 1/2" seam around all four sides.



## Step 6: Iron in Pleats



With pointed (top side) pointing away from you, front of fabric side down, bring bottom side of fabric up and over top side. The fold should be the imaginary line between the top notch on left to top notch on right. Press crease with hot iron. The pleats are 1/4 inch.

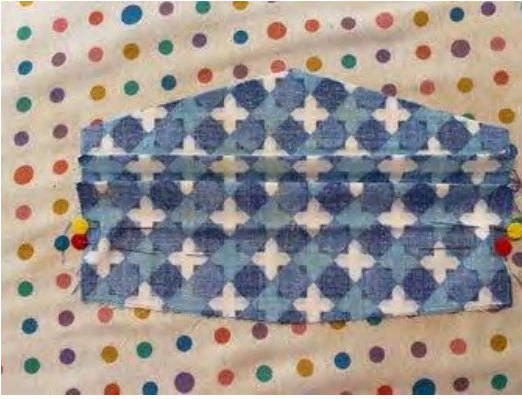
Next, fold fabric back down. The fold should be imaginary line between 2nd notch on left and 2nd notch on right. Press crease with hot iron.

Repeat for 3rd and 4th notches.

Repeat of 5th (yellow headed pin) and 6th (red headed pin) notches.

(I apologize if this is a little vague. I will work on a video for ironing in pleats.) (2 more pics on next page)

Once the pleats are ironed in the edges of the mask should measure 3" - give or take.



## Step 7: Sew Pleats in Place

Sew pleats into place using a 1/2" seam. Both Left and Right side of mask face.



## Step 8: Mark and Sew Darts

Fold mask face in half at the center fold. Front side of fabric together, wrong side of fabric facing you.

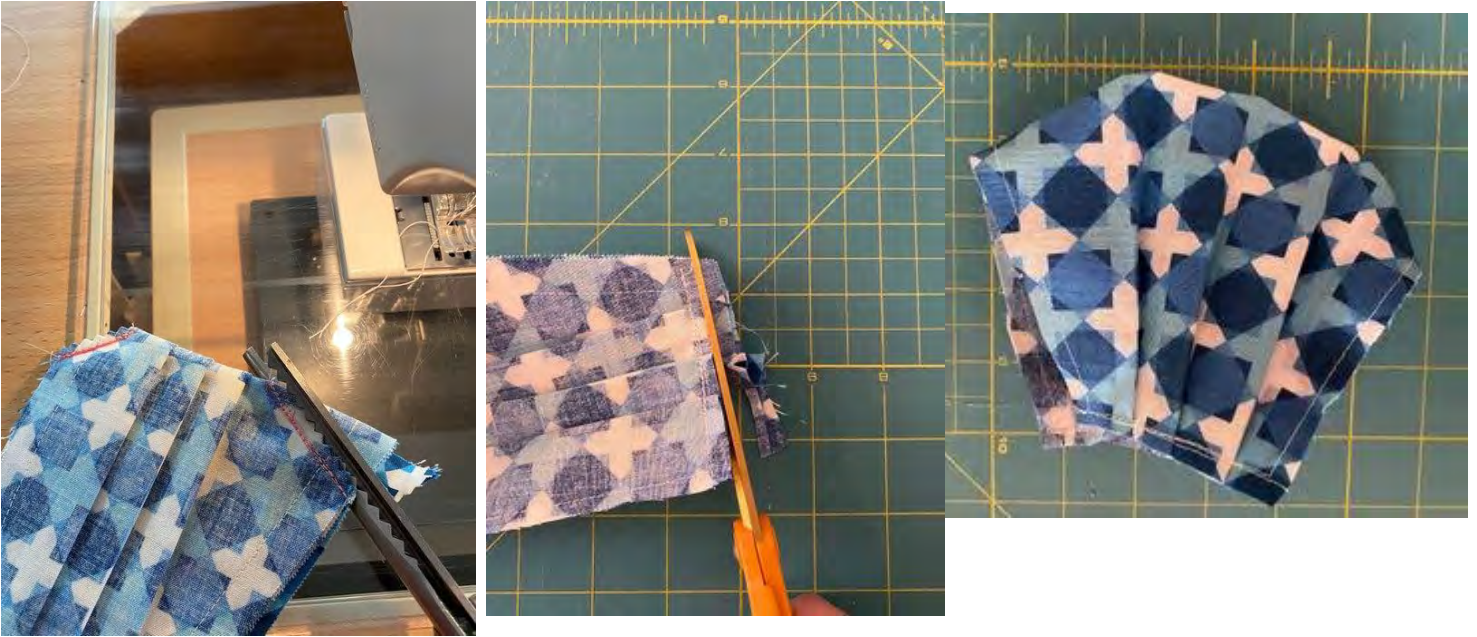
Align pattern and mark top and bottom darts with pin or pencil.

Sew along line. - I went over it twice for good measure.



## Step 9: Trim Excess

Trim seams to 1/4 inch.



## Step 10: Prepare the Binding

Take 2 strips and pin at 90 deg angles. Repeat with 2 more strips.

Sew strips together at 45 deg angle. Trim seams at 1/4 inch and press with iron.

Take 5th strip and cut in half.



## Step 11: Attach Side Binding

With mask facing down - front side of fabric facing away, wrong side of fabric facing towards you - pin 1.5" binding you cut in half to left and right side of mask. Binding should be face down. Edge of binding aligned with outermost edge of mask.

Sew in place, starting just above top of mask and stopping just below bottom of mask, using **1/4 inch** seam.

Press seam open with iron.



## Step 12: Finish Side Binding

Flip mask over. Right side of fabric facing you.

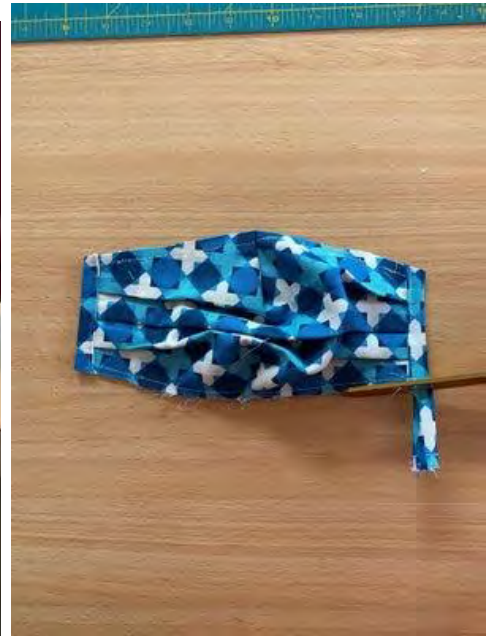
Fold 1/4 inch seam towards you from outside edge of binding. Wrap folded edge around side edge of mask.

Pin in place.

Sew along edge of binding.

Repeat on other side.

Trim excess.



### Step 13: Attach Top/Bottom Binding

With mask face, wrong side of fabric facing you, pin 1.5 inch binding strips along top and bottom edges.

Sew in place using **1/4 inch seams**. Start sewing just above one side of mask face and end just after opposite side of mask face.

Press open with iron.



## Step 14: Finish Top/Bottom Binding and Ties

Trim ties even on both sides of mask.

Iron in 1/4 inch seam on top and bottom of mask ties.

Iron in 1/4 inch seam on end of mask ties.

Fold ties in half and pin in place.

Sew Binding and Ties.

